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MONTHLY COMPLETION REPORT FOR U.S. OIL, GAS, AND DRY WELLS

As a result of a time lag between the time a well is completed and the time its completion is reported, the published numbers do not reflect the total number of wells actually completed. Consequently, the data is preliminary and subject to revision. The chart below illustrates the cumulative number of well completions reported for the current month and each of the eleven prior months (Table I). For comparison purposes, the same period reported one year ago is also included.

The number of wells shown in the chart excludes stratigraphic and core tests as well as service wells. The geographic distribution for well completions and footage drilled is available on a quarterly basis in the API publication entitled the **"Quarterly Completion Report"**.

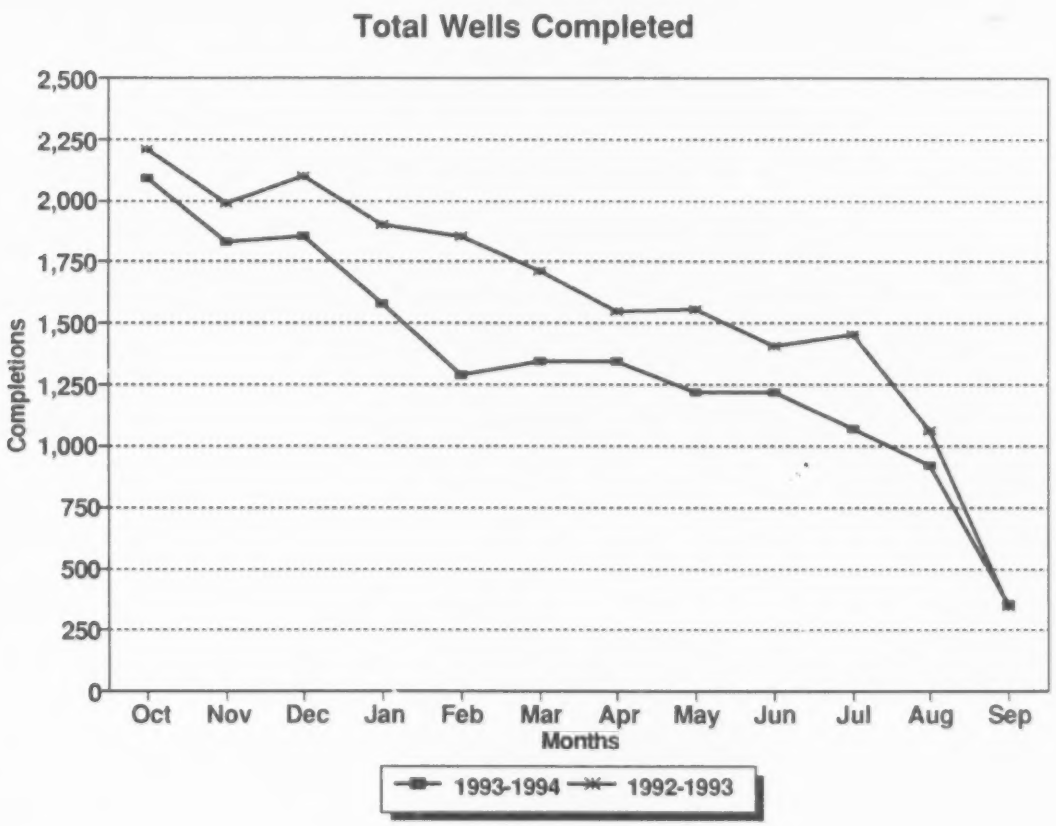

TABLE I: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF SEPTEMBER 1994(1)

	OIL WELLS(2)		GAS WELLS(3)		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL, GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS(4)	
	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage
TOTAL 1994	3,427	20,771,438	3,920	27,262,730	2,991	17,563,351	10,338	65,597,519	10,490	66,169,977
1994: SEP	101	548,190	75	551,819	175	1,088,631	351	2,188,640	354	2,207,405
AUG	298	1,808,077	293	2,155,398	330	1,873,291	921	5,836,766	924	5,848,322
JUL	289	1,700,229	427	2,858,645	357	2,072,018	1,073	6,630,892	1,094	6,695,497
JUN	345	2,350,101	496	3,416,110	378	2,173,488	1,219	7,939,699	1,232	7,996,147
MAY	374	2,308,236	484	3,202,720	359	2,144,153	1,217	7,655,109	1,236	7,728,843
APR	457	2,570,437	538	3,805,121	351	1,912,293	1,346	8,287,851	1,365	8,366,271
MAR	468	2,967,558	524	3,666,014	350	2,106,795	1,342	8,740,367	1,363	8,815,082
FEB	479	2,969,994	514	3,639,570	296	1,736,467	1,289	8,346,031	1,315	8,445,828
JAN	616	3,548,616	569	3,967,333	395	2,456,215	1,580	9,972,164	1,607	10,066,582
TOTAL 1993	8,333	44,283,243	8,998	54,966,679	5,424	33,469,290	23,755	132,719,212	24,465	135,116,441
1993: DEC	692	3,869,989	657	4,286,039	508	2,884,730	1,857	11,040,758	1,892	11,172,001
NOV	703	4,043,137	644	4,179,930	489	2,642,523	1,836	10,865,590	1,891	11,041,929
OCT	775	4,184,144	782	4,812,597	531	2,728,876	2,088	11,725,617	2,144	11,920,189
SEP	726	3,827,867	699	4,163,868	599	3,106,306	2,024	11,098,061	2,119	11,435,555
AUG	762	3,585,916	679	4,138,045	569	2,949,359	2,010	10,673,320	2,103	10,933,981
JUL	723	4,009,049	601	3,661,517	716	3,404,300	2,040	11,074,866	2,086	11,293,626
JUN	668	3,735,225	671	3,898,873	558	2,800,521	1,897	10,434,619	1,956	10,648,493
MAY	657	3,261,475	701	4,290,603	577	2,997,092	1,935	10,549,170	1,990	10,721,663
APR	641	3,425,107	663	4,714,537	538	2,802,610	1,842	10,942,254	1,902	11,119,640
MAR	677	3,364,142	950	5,799,429	409	2,234,620	2,036	11,398,191	2,101	11,591,722
FEB	620	3,259,091	984	5,504,474	486	2,615,479	2,090	11,379,044	2,134	11,530,654
JAN	689	3,718,101	967	5,516,747	444	2,302,874	2,100	11,537,722	2,147	11,706,988
TOTAL 1992	8,810	44,797,565	7,793	43,897,629	6,367	32,323,752	22,970	121,018,946	23,962	123,326,657
1992: DEC	811	4,176,706	949	5,197,704	465	2,468,476	2,225	11,842,886	2,340	12,081,747
NOV	739	3,832,420	905	5,211,589	489	2,521,276	2,133	11,565,285	2,193	11,747,643
OCT	820	3,846,370	932	5,227,937	578	2,935,986	2,330	12,010,293	2,416	12,200,586
SEP	806	4,031,850	670	3,808,046	571	2,999,718	2,047	10,839,614	2,119	10,999,867
AUG	675	3,343,394	623	3,516,679	597	2,916,368	1,895	9,776,441	1,952	9,883,974
JUL	725	3,694,649	551	3,040,892	565	2,702,139	1,841	9,437,680	1,898	9,554,876
JUN	683	3,541,139	526	3,018,558	508	2,507,803	1,717	9,067,500	1,767	9,205,517
MAY	692	3,645,970	467	2,832,512	612	2,935,018	1,771	9,413,500	1,838	9,612,300
APR	701	3,486,483	437	2,680,289	529	2,697,859	1,667	8,864,631	1,796	9,186,610
MAR	750	3,893,384	524	2,934,870	512	2,673,494	1,786	9,501,748	1,892	9,673,352
FEB	627	3,238,163	586	3,030,506	430	2,286,109	1,643	8,554,778	1,748	8,816,721
JAN	781	4,067,037	623	3,398,047	511	2,679,506	1,915	10,144,590	2,003	10,363,464
TOTAL 1991	11,802	54,495,139	9,208	48,450,734	7,722	39,696,411	28,732	142,642,284	29,924	145,618,147
TOTAL 1990	12,123	54,289,875	10,579	54,237,914	8,511	43,715,118	31,213	152,242,907	32,066	154,558,649

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TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STA BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF SEPTEMBER, 1994(1)

	OIL WELLS(2)		GAS WELLS(3)		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL, GAS & DRY HOLES	
	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage
TOTAL 1994	305	1,870,990	329	2,133,500	1,260	7,694,525	1,894	11,699,015
1994: SEP	12	70,606	8	54,060	73	459,582	93	584,248
AUG	20	133,660	23	132,298	138	801,468	181	1,067,426
JUL	35	227,960	49	296,410	159	924,539	243	1,448,909
JUN	43	283,489	36	215,656	173	966,374	252	1,465,519
MAY	37	243,882	32	227,732	157	958,479	226	1,430,093
APR	52	301,574	49	330,181	137	842,229	238	1,473,984
MAR	29	153,760	56	335,709	138	856,213	223	1,345,682
FEB	25	157,875	37	266,912	110	694,892	172	1,119,679
JAN	52	298,184	39	274,542	175	1,190,749	266	1,763,475
TOTAL 1993	464	2,915,325	445	2,700,134	2,433	13,836,550	3,342	19,452,009
1993: DEC	38	255,456	29	202,503	208	1,239,791	275	1,697,750
NOV	35	227,974	38	240,993	194	1,137,240	267	1,606,207
OCT	41	264,942	52	318,998	203	1,094,021	296	1,677,961
SEP	35	204,298	31	200,403	224	1,282,311	290	1,687,012
AUG	27	150,918	41	227,805	234	1,323,543	302	1,702,266
JUL	37	232,758	31	150,711	257	1,369,661	325	1,753,130
JUN	45	245,058	35	213,628	223	1,208,654	303	1,667,340
MAY	44	257,276	42	277,604	171	921,272	257	1,456,152
APR	51	316,778	29	192,659	211	1,254,085	291	1,763,522
MAR	30	206,297	31	182,696	177	1,099,274	238	1,488,267
FEB	33	220,288	48	259,494	171	1,026,783	252	1,506,565
JAN	48	333,282	38	232,640	160	879,915	246	1,445,837
TOTAL 1992	502	3,244,107	398	2,409,840	2,611	13,912,663	3,511	19,566,610
1992: DEC	28	174,874	34	171,344	169	958,660	231	1,304,878
NOV	38	244,362	43	241,138	168	957,403	249	1,442,903
OCT	46	295,238	36	229,258	215	1,116,618	297	1,641,114
SEP	40	267,465	23	119,618	231	1,233,308	294	1,620,391
AUG	44	286,726	38	207,426	252	1,267,012	334	1,761,164
JUL	48	289,446	34	206,766	274	1,401,135	356	1,897,347
JUN	48	323,167	36	237,582	210	1,153,541	294	1,714,290
MAY	41	287,049	27	155,896	250	1,201,708	318	1,644,653
APR	47	276,210	27	133,245	247	1,348,866	321	1,758,321
MAR	35	194,055	31	221,691	207	1,111,365	273	1,527,111
FEB	40	269,005	34	254,320	170	899,188	244	1,422,513
JAN	47	336,510	35	231,556	218	1,263,859	300	1,831,925
TOTAL 1991	577	3,592,130	526	3,442,108	3,326	18,845,840	4,429	25,880,078
TOTAL 1990	646	4,289,499	665	4,474,638	3,813	21,426,948	5,124	30,191,085

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TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS(1) BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING SEPTEMBER 1994

	OIL WELLS(2)		GAS WELLS(3)		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL, GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL WELLS REPORT SEPTEMBER 1994(4)	
	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage
TOTAL 1994	482	2,805,037	563	3,761,989	419	2,452,924	1,464	9,019,950	1,477	9,076,695
1994: SEP	101	548,190	75	551,819	175	1,088,631	351	2,188,640	354	2,207,405
AUG	221	1,388,418	223	1,755,904	149	849,113	593	3,993,435	596	4,004,991
JUL	63	343,675	111	615,905	38	214,899	212	1,174,479	218	1,197,603
JUN	33	179,048	67	390,118	22	120,752	122	689,918	122	689,918
MAY	30	152,791	34	162,402	10	38,704	74	353,897	74	353,897
APR	9	39,577	19	101,964	10	47,742	38	189,283	39	192,583
MAR	11	85,112	7	25,777	5	38,228	23	149,117	23	149,117
FEB	7	47,050	14	86,133	4	15,950	25	149,133	25	149,133
JAN	7	21,176	13	71,967	6	38,905	26	132,048	26	132,048
TOTAL 1993	24	100,382	189	449,320	17	62,976	230	612,678	230	612,678
1993: DEC	3	14,756	9	58,618	4	15,652	16	89,026	16	89,026
NOV	5	23,718	8	33,169	4	15,983	17	72,870	17	72,870
OCT	3	9,920	20	50,201	1	4,960	24	65,081	24	65,081
SEP	1	19,854	26	69,651	1	6,445	28	95,950	28	95,950
AUG	2	9,270	15	31,934	2	3,772	19	44,976	19	44,976
JUL	0	0	18	36,353	1	3,755	19	40,108	19	40,108
JUN	2	2,665	20	44,349	3	8,670	25	55,684	25	55,684
MAY	4	12,343	21	32,587	1	3,739	26	48,669	26	48,669
APR	3	6,778	3	8,627	0	0	6	15,405	6	15,405
MAR	0	0	14	19,652	0	0	14	19,652	14	19,652
FEB	1	1,078	27	37,151	0	0	28	38,229	28	38,229
JAN	0	0	8	27,028	0	0	8	27,028	8	27,028
TOTAL 1992	7	7,391	17	20,885	15	65,621	39	93,897	39	93,897
1992: DEC	0	0	1	1,430	0	0	1	1,430	1	1,430
NOV	1	482	6	3,676	2	7,199	9	11,357	9	11,357
OCT	4	2,605	0	0	2	4,531	6	7,136	6	7,136
SEP	0	0	3	5,107	0	0	3	5,107	3	5,107
AUG	1	2,750	4	7,727	2	9,381	7	19,858	7	19,858
JUL	0	0	0	0	3	13,836	3	13,836	3	13,836
JUN	1	1,554	2	2,130	0	0	3	3,684	3	3,684
MAY	0	0	0	0	1	1,564	1	1,564	1	1,564
APR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MAR	0	0	0	0	2	6,475	2	6,475	2	6,475
FEB	0	0	1	815	1	881	2	1,696	2	1,696
JAN	0	0	0	0	2	21,754	2	21,754	2	21,754
TOTAL 1991	0	0	1	6,200	1	3,810	2	10,010	2	10,010
YRS PRIOR TO 1991	21	54,532	29	113,330	20	72,342	70	240,204	73	252,529
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED	534	2,967,342	799	4,351,724	472	2,657,673	1,805	9,976,739	1,821	10,045,809

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TABLE I AND TABLE II:

1. The cumulative number of wells reported in this table is the total number of wells included in the API database for each of the months and years shown, as of October 1, 1994. These data are preliminary and subject to further revisions.

2. Includes multiple completion wells which produce oil from at least one zone, but may produce gas from one or more zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well.

3. Includes multiple completion wells which produce gas from all zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well. Gas wells also include so-called condensate wells.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells. (Not applicable to Table II).

TABLE III:

1. Total number of wells received by API during the report month and classified by completion month and year. These wells are included in Tables I and II.

2. See footnote (2) above.

3. See footnote (3) above.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells.

5. Total wells reported are those received by the API for the report period September 4, 1994 through October 1, 1994. The subtotals shown for each yearly period may not add to the total wells reported for the period. Some wells, received during the report period, may have been completed in years prior to those shown in Table III.